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Dear Dr. *Khanolkar*

Drs. Joshua and Esther Lederberg, both outstanding scientists in the field of microbial genetics and both associated with the University of Wisconsin, are planning to spend two months in Melbourne, Australia, in Burnett's laboratory in summer 1957. They are contemplating returning to the United States via India, and the purpose of my letter is to acquaint you with their proposed visit and to suggest that perhaps an invitation might be issued for Drs. Lederberg to give seminars and/or lectures during their stay in India. I am making this suggestion because Dr. Lederberg is a world authority in his field and the gain for Indian scientists in coming into direct contact with him would be considerable.

I am writing to you well in advance of their visit because, if you would like to offer an invitation to Drs. Lederberg, it should come in the not too distant future in order to enable them to finalize their travel plans.

I do not need to tell you how happy I was to have even a brief meeting with you during your recent stay in New York and I am greatly looking forward to your forthcoming visit; I hope you will let us know your plans beforehand so that we can have you stay at our house.

Irena and Claude join me in wishing you a very happy Christmas and all the best in the New Year.

I remain, as always, your friend

Sincerely,

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